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*I*t's summertime and what better time to get together with neighbours and friends. Plan on coming out to these events:

Saturday, June 1st — Enjoy the music and multitude of activities at the Annual Blackburn Fun Fair. (pages 2 & 3)

Saturday, June 22nd — Put on your runners and join us for a brisk walk or jog around the neighbourhood. (page 19)

Sunday, June 23rd — Imagine an enjoyable afternoon visiting the beautiful gardens of Blackburn Hamlet. (page 5)

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1  **Day only**

Saturday, June 1st

Come out early to enjoy a pancake breakfast with the family. The rest of the day kicks off with the parade at 10:00 am and then the midway opens at 11:00 am until 9:00 pm for everyone to enjoy. This year the children's events are grouped together for easy access (see map).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Arena:

Bingo
Chess Demonstration 11:30 am
Chess Tournament
General Store/Home Show
Youth Dance (Ages 10-17)

Community Hall:

Auction — 3 pm
Patio Bar
Ray's Reptiles

Grounds:

Community Music Stage	Refreshments & BBQ
Circus Delight Moon Castles	Art in the Park
Midway	Cow Plop – 50/50 Draw
Bed Races	Mad Science Show
Pre-School Races	Bozo Dunk Tank
Old Fashioned Races	Face Painting
Pet Competition	Fire Prevention Truck
Fireworks	Horse Drawn Wagon
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Fun Fair Parade Marshall

We are proud to have Doctor Taite who has practiced medicine over 25 years in the Hamlet as the parade marshall for the Blackburn Fun Fair 2002. Doctor Taite will be reducing his work load starting June 1st — Fun Fair Day!

Fête Foraine / Blackburn Fun Fair 2002

Bike Parade

Once again, the bicycles will be leading the parade so decorate your bike and join the fun! Meet at the rally point (École Louis Riel) half an hour before the parade starts.

Music in the Park — Community Stage

NEW event this year! Musical acts will be entertaining us for the entire day on the stage with Dr. Danic's Blues Berry Jam band finishing after the midnight hour. See our Events Schedule or visit www.blackburnhamlet.ca for more details.

Art in the Park

NEW this year! Come and have fun drawing in the arena parking lot — individuals of all ages can create their own special design with chalk (supplied). Join as a team or single participant. From 3:00 – 5:00 pm. Judging will begin at 5:00 pm.

Pancake Breakfast & Barbecue Lunch

Breakfast starts at 8:30 am, lunch served 11:00 am until noon.

Food Bank Hour

We will be collecting non-perishable food items all day in the arena to donate to the Ottawa Food Bank. Special thanks to Colin Chalk from the Ottawa Food Bank who will be performing on our Community Stage starting at 12:10 pm.

Volunteers

If you would like to participate in this year's Fun Fair contact Rose Moore at 824-7852. Student volunteers are needed. Students — remember that you can qualify for a volunteer credit through your school.

Bed Races

If you would like to participate in the bed races this year, contact Joe O'Connell 837-4750. Teams are made up of five people...and beds are provided.

General Store – Book Table

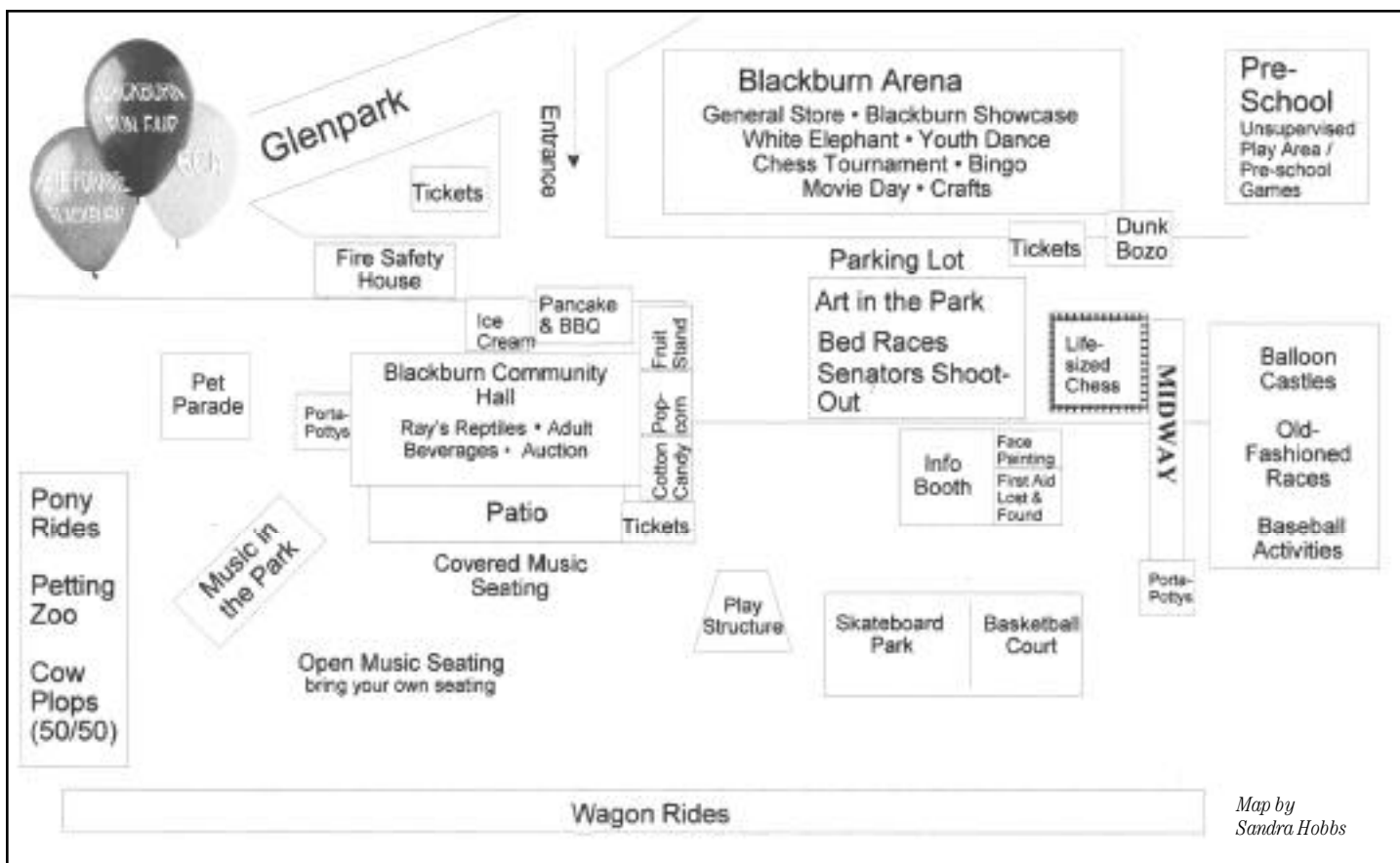
If you have books you would like to donate to the Fun Fair, please contact Shirley Haggerty at 824-4664.

Blackburn Hamlet Sports Organizations

If you would like to advertise for your organization, please contact Cate Palmer at 837-4396. Information booths are still available.

White Elephant Table

Donations of household goods, toys and sporting equipment will be gladly accepted for the Fun Fair. To drop off donations, please call Lee Ann at 824-8947 or Colette at 834-4772.



Blackburn garden tour offers something for everyone

Sunday, June 23rd, rain or shine, the 5th Blackburn Hamlet Garden Tour is set to go. Ten enthusiastic gardeners here in Blackburn have volunteered to open their gardens for viewing, answer questions, trade gardening secrets and meet fellow garden lovers from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. The money earned from the tour will continue to be used for various landscaping projects in Blackburn. Funds from past tours have been directed to the gardens around each of the three entrance signs as well as to the landscaping at the Community Hall.

The tour guide pamphlets which go on sale June 1st at the Blackburn Fun Fair plant table and at Budd Gardens Perennials are \$10.00 each. They are your ticket and will gain you entry at each garden in the tour as well refreshments at Amica and entry into a draw for some great prizes.

The Amica at Bearbrook Court graciously invites you to a refreshing cup of tea or glass of lemonade between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Go to the Budd Garden website (www.buddgardens.com) and read about the exciting gardens in the tour. A draw for prizes from local businesses will be held at 5:00 pm and will be posted on the website shortly after.

We wish to thank the following businesses for their generous support. Budd Gardens ("No Tax" discount coupon for all participants), Amica at Bearbrook Court, Ritchies Garden Centre and the Urban Renewal Consignment Etc. store.

Watch for an exciting variety of gardens featuring cooling water ponds, unique patios and decks, lush perennials, mature hosta gardens, beautiful garden artwork, indoor garden and container gardening.

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Upcoming BANARS

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Delivery date: September 7th

Additional Banars are available at the Library & Arena.

Spring update from City Hall

by Rainer Bloess, Ottawa Councillor

Hope many of you were able to get out and enjoy the Tulip Festival, the annual launch of Ottawa's spring and summer season. As the weather picture heats up and barbecues are fired up, here's news on what's up at City Hall.

1) The 2002 Budget, approved at the end of March, was the second for the new City of Ottawa and the first produced entirely under the stewardship of the new City Council. Council did manage to hold the line on property taxes and, in fact, exceeded amalgamation savings targets, a fairly significant accomplishment, given the magnitude and complexity of the transition to the new City. For the first time in ten years, however, you will notice an increase in the water rate. Our water and sewer rate structure has been revised in order to meet the costs of implementing new regulations and procedures developed as a result of

the Walkerton nightmare. The 7 cent per cubic metre increase will translate into approximately \$70 per year for the average household.

Please note that the City of Ottawa taxes are now due on the due date and not at the end of the months in which they were due.. Those of you not yet enrolled in one of the City's pre-authorized, monthly payment plans might want to consider this hassle-free method of avoiding large, lump-sum payouts.

Final budget approval means two, long-awaited local transportation projects can now get underway. The rehabilitation of Innes Road from Beddoe to Tauvette will proceed this summer. As well, the widening of Innes Road from Blair to the 417 will commence this year with the full project (to Trim Road) taking place over 3 years at a total cost of \$47 million.

2) There have been a number of recent complaints relating to the Animal Control Bylaw. Please remember to keep

your dogs leashed and, not only to "scoop" after your pet, but also to take the "scooping" home for proper disposal. They should not be left anywhere in the park. Watch for notices regarding public consultation this fall as the City begins the process of harmonizing the bylaws of the various former municipalities.

3) Good news comes from the Innes Road apartment and townhouse complex where a Neighbourhood Watch program has been initiated. All interested residents are invited to attend meetings held each Wednesday night to get the program underway. Our contact, Constable Ray St. Pierre would welcome inquiries from anyone interested in setting up a similar program in other Hamlet neighbourhoods. (See page 7)

Finally, kudos to Barb Sweazey who again organized the successful community clean up. The participation of over 100 residents is a strong indication of this community's pride.



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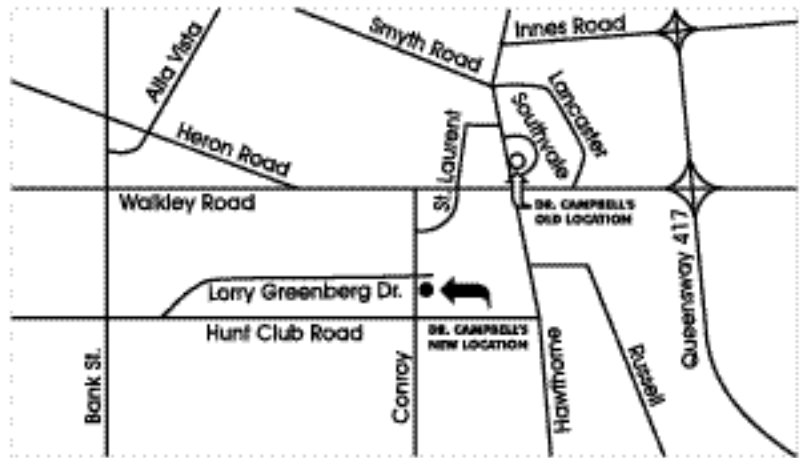
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Spring clean-up a success — again!

by Barb Sweazey

A very enthusiastic group of 106 Blackburn residents helped to clean up the neighbourhood on Saturday, April 27th. Interestingly, because of the hard work from last year and recent clean-up efforts of the local schools and the City, we actually didn't have to collect quite as much garbage this year!

Nonetheless, we couldn't have gathered all the litter we did without the help of each and every volunteer. A big thank you also goes out to both Loeb and Shoppers Drug Mart for their generous support of our event. Finally, many thanks to all those who helped out in other ways, such as organizing the clean-up routes, transporting waste back to the Community Centre, and flipping the burgers!

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Blackburn art group provides positive reinforcement

by Fred Sherwin, Orleans Online

Part mutual support group, part arts class and part social club, the Blackburn Art Group has been bringing amateur artists together to share their love of paint and canvas since May 2000.

The group is the brainchild of artist Marion Jones. After the community hall was built in 2000, Jones was involved in the process to develop community programs to make use of the new space. The first step was to advertise in the local community association newsletter.

"About six people responded to the ad. So we got together and decided to meet every second week and that's how it all started," says Jones.

Today the Blackburn Art Group consists of 13 people, the vast majority of whom are either stay-at-home moms, or recent retirees.

The meetings are extremely informal affairs, with members left to work on their individual projects at their own particular speed.



Arley Molloy, Arlene Cornfield and Anne Alain, members of the Blackburn Art Group work on one of the giant tulips for the Ottawa Tulip Festival. Councillor Bloess had asked Emily Carr School, Bearbrook residence, the Boy Scouts and the BCAtO to each paint a tulip. Until the end of the festival this spectacular garden be viewed in front of Ottawa City Hall on Laurier Avenue near Elgin Street.

But what makes the group special is the level of mentoring that goes on. The membership is fairly evenly split between established artists and those who are just starting out.

Paddy Gardiner only started drawing about two years ago. He joined the art group for the opportunity to socialize with other artists just starting out and to practice his craft in an informal setting.

"They seemed to accept anything and

anybody," says Gardiner. "You're never made to feel inadequate in any way. Actually, it's just the opposite, I get a lot of positive reinforcement here."

Jones says the concept of mentorship is always an underlying theme during meetings.

"Some of our members naturally like to pass along their knowledge to others so there's definitely a sharing aspect to it," says Jones.


Anne Alain says its that feeling of mutual support and respect that is the main reason she keeps coming back.

"We're a group of people who are very compatible who are willing to learn and to share," says Alain. "I really look forward to coming here. It gets the old creative juices flowing."



The group held their first organized exhibit at the Blackburn Library in February. The goal is to make it an annual event.

The Blackburn Art Group meets every second Thursday at the Blackburn Community Hall between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. For more information Call Marion Jones at 830-8904.

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Vandalism, fires, graffiti and other crimes . . .

...how can they be reduced?

By Bob Merrick

Recent acts of theft, vandalism and malicious damage in Blackburn Hamlet have spurred interest in reviving what was once one of the Ottawa area's largest Neighbourhood Watch programs. Councillor Rainer Bloess, Sr. Cst. Ray St. Pierre, the community liaison officer at the Orléans Community Police Centre, and several concerned citizens agree that Neighbourhood Watch is one way to reduce the likelihood that such incidents will recur.

What is Neighbourhood Watch? Mostly it's neighbours fulfilling their responsibilities as neighbours and citizens. It's based on the philosophy of community policing, which holds that, "the police are the public and the public are the police; the police being the only members of the public who are paid to give full-time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interest of community welfare and existence." These words were first uttered almost two centuries ago by Sir Robert Peel, (hence Bobbies, as British constables are still known) the founder of the London Metropolitan Police. Do they still hold today? You bet they do.

Much has changed since Peel spoke those words. The pace of life has become more hectic. People move frequently. The increase in "cocooning" means that neighbours are no longer as, well, neighbourly, as they once were. Today, when people think of vandalism, damage and other so-called minor crimes, they often think, "It's a police problem."

And yes, in many ways it is. But the police cannot be everywhere at once. They rely heavily on citizen involvement; citizen help. That's where activities such as Neighbourhood Watch come in. Does the watch require a whole lot of effort? Not really. It just means paying attention to what is going on in the neighbourhood. Are there people who don't normally live there walking up and down the street looking into windows and, perhaps, trying doors? Are there cars parked for extended periods with people sitting in them, just monitoring the street? Is there something amiss, something that doesn't look quite right?

What should you do in such circumstances? Neighbourhood Watch is a network of concerned citizens working to reduce minor crime in Blackburn Hamlet. It provides a tool to help residents deal with the above questions. Councillor Bloess, Sr. Cst. St. Pierre, concerned Hamlet residents and the Neighbourhood Watch team at the Orléans Community Police

centre stand ready to revitalize the Hamlet's NW program. Volunteer Denise Chadala is the member of that team responsible for recruiting concerned Blackburn Hamlet residents, and helping them form a network to keep an eye on activities in the community.

The team is qualified to train and assist citizens who volunteer for the program. Although the police sponsor the program and assist with the training, it's not a police-run program. Volunteers—concerned citizens such as yourself—set up the network, decide who does what, and make the program go. It is not a question of "taking the law into your own hands." Generally, the Watch notifies police, and they deal with the miscreants.

How can you become part of the program? Call the Orléans Community Police Centre at 236-1222, Extension 3571 or 3572 and leave a message for Volunteer Chadala. Become a part of Neighbourhood Watch in Blackburn Hamlet. Although it's really nothing more than neighbours looking out for neighbours, it will help make the Hamlet a safer place. And who knows? You might discover you really like your neighbours.





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7. Top Dress and Fertilize: To build up a strong, pest-resistant lawn, regularly apply slow-release, granular fertilizer. Or top dress with organic material such as compost, manure, bone and blood meal or kelp.

8. Overseed: Combine overseeding with aeration and top dressing for best results. Choose drought tolerant turf grass species.

9. Develop a tolerance for a few weeds and bugs: Most insects are not harmful: some are critical to maintaining a balanced ecosystem, and certain insects eat others that are considered pests.

Source: *The Kanata Environmental Network*

Tennis lessons and equipment sponsored by BHYA

Tennis anyone? We are pleased to announce that the Blackburn Hamlet Youth Association (BHYA) has entered into an agreement with the Blackburn Tennis Club to provide FREE introductory tennis lessons to youth aged 10 to 18. This program will be open to all Blackburn area youth and we hope to encourage youth who otherwise might not have a chance to learn how to play tennis to attend.

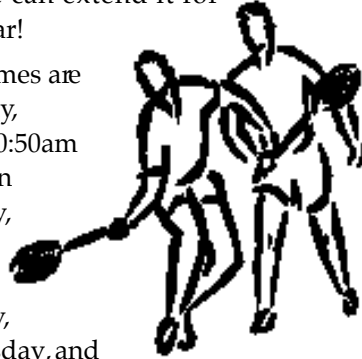
The BHYA will be providing the use of tennis rackets to anyone attending who does not have their own and also the use of our tennis balls. This is a 10 session, once per week program followed by a year-end tournament with prizes. There are a total of five classes available for registration on a first come basis, 20 participants per class with a total of 100 positions available. Registration will be available

at our information booth at the Fun Fair. Drop by and support this program so that we can extend it for next year!

Class times are Saturday, 10:00–10:50am and then Monday,

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 7:00 to 7:50 a.m. Classes will be filled starting with Saturday and Monday.

Those who would like to donate used tennis rackets to the BHYA are encouraged to drop them off at our Friday night dances, at our information booth at the Fun Fair or call Gord Hawley at 837-5987.



Spring garage sale

We have just completed our first annual spring garage sale at the hall. We would like to thank all those who contributed items to the sale and all who came to support us. We are planning to do this event each year on the weekend following the community garage sale.

Come see us at the Fun Fair

The BHYA is very active this year. Volunteers are needed to help with the ice cream booth, the chess demonstration from 11:00–12:30 pm, the chess tournament from 1:00–4:00 pm and the youth dance in the arena. We are also registering walkers for our Walk-a-thon to raise money for our proposed gazebo to be built just west of the Community Hall. Details will be available at the Fun Fair booth.

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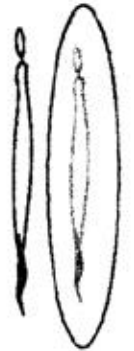


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Guiding — a rewarding experience for girls and women

by Michelle Marshall

The Girl Guides of Canada have been very busy in Blackburn Hamlet this past month. You may have seen many of us selling Girl Guide cookies, at our Fly Up Ceremony, on our way to our Spring camp at Fitz Roy Harbour, or helping to "Pitch In" by picking up garbage around the community.

This has been my third year as a Brownie leader and what a wonderful experience to see my daughter grow and mature with her friends in Guiding. After spending the first two years as Laura's Brown Owl (group leader), I entrusted her leadership development to three very capable Guide leaders at the Guide level. Laura has really spread her wings this past year, developing into a caring, fun-loving, and independent young lady. Each of her leaders is very different, and was able to show her different aspects of how leadership can be carried out. I am very thankful to be a part of an organization that provides so many opportunities for my daughter, and so many good friends for myself.



Sparks prepare to go through the rainbow to Brownies at Fly-up ceremony.

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada is a movement for girls, led by women. It challenges girls to reach their potential and empowers them to give leadership and service as responsible citizens of the world.

We are looking for the leader in you! Women just like you can help us meet the need for more leaders in new and exiting Guide Units in Blackburn Hamlet. You can make a big difference in the lives of some very special girls, not only as their leader but also as an important female role model. As role models the leaders help the girls build life skills, such as confidence, respect, kindness, caring and sharing, as they develop friendship, gain skills and share in new activities.

You can register your daughter in Sparks, ages 5 and 6; Brownies, ages 7 and 8; Guides, ages 9-12; Pathfinders, ages 12-15 or in the Senior Branches, 15-17+. Registration night is Tuesday, September 10th from 6:30 to 9:30pm at the Community Hall. Fee is \$70 area fee + \$10 district fee. Any questions can be directed to our District commissioner, Brenda Sowden at 523-4003.

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Family barber shop opens in Blackburn

Franco Chimienti started cutting hair 35 years ago in the Hunt Club area and then opened Rocca Hair Salon at Walkley and Bank Street 27 years ago. The family moved to Blackburn last year and soon after decided to move their salon to Blackburn as well.

Through the years Franco's wife, Rocca also a hair stylist, complimented the business with manicures and pedicures. Although cutting hair for men, women and children is the mainstay of the business, hair highlighting is now becoming more popular with a lot of their clients.

Their daughter, Angela has followed in her parent's steps and is now part owner of a salon on Bank Street. Their son, Giuseppe who recently graduated from Retter Business

College, contributes by doing the graphic design work of cards and brochures while their daughter Maria has chosen nursing as a career.

Their aim has always been to provide quality service with reasonable prices. No appointment is necessary. Drop in and meet Franco and Rocca. Their shop is open six days a week in the Blackburn Shoppes plaza and is located next to Shoppers Drug Mart. Hours are Monday to Wednesday 8:30-5:30 pm; Thursday and Friday 8:30-8:30 pm and Saturday 8:00-5:00 pm. An appointment can be made by calling 830-9584.

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Seniors — Mark your calendars for a good time

Pot-luck dinner and dance

A pot-luck dinner and dance will be held on Saturday, June 22nd, 6:00pm at the Blackburn Community Hall. Bring your favourite dish (and show off your culinary skills), your own drinks and dance the night away to music provided by Pierre. There will be a \$5.00 per person charge to help pay for the music.

Experience paradise

On August 13th (rain date August 16th) visit the beautiful Upper Laurentians, relax beside a beautiful lake or hike a trail alongside sparkling waterfalls and a fast running stream. A pot-luck lunch will be served at "the cottage". We will be meeting at 9:00 am at the Blackburn Community Hall to car pool or to pick up a map if you wish to drive. To arrange for a ride, call Kuldip Jande at 841-0466. All seniors are welcome to experience this little corner of paradise.

NEEDED – Handy men/women to help the seniors of Blackburn Hamlet

Many of the seniors of our community need help maintaining their homes and gardens. Anyone interested in helping out or needing a helping hand can call Helen Cooper at 824-7768. Helen will be compiling a list of workers.

We are looking for volunteers to help the Seniors with their duties at the Blackburn Funfair on Saturday, June 1st. Please contact Shirley Haggarty at 824-4664.

Environmental fair

Interesting and enlightening

The Blackburn Environmental Fair held on April 6 proved to be a very informative session, with speakers covering issues such as pesticide use and alternatives, water quality, and anti-idling initiatives. The event was well attended by approximately 30 Blackburn residents. Thank you to Caroline Harris-McDonald for her assistance in coordinating this event, and to all the speakers for volunteering to share their environmental wisdom with us.

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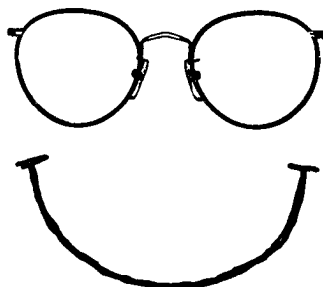
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(Adapted from Ontario Federation of Food Co-Ops)

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In an effort to standardize the use of terms such as "organic", "organically grown" or "certified organic", the Corporate and Consumer Affairs Ministry in consultation with various organic growers associations, has adopted a "code of practice" for such terms. These terms only apply to those foods that satisfy several conditions as elaborated and specified by independent organic certification agencies.

Buying "certified" organically grown foods is your guarantee that the food was truly grown or produced according to specific guidelines. When we consider the overwhelming environmental problems facing our globe, we sometimes can't help but feel helpless. However, our consumer dollar is the most powerful tool we have. Where and what we purchase, decides future food production practices.

Blackburn Loeb is now carrying a selection of certified organic foods. You will find fresh organic produce at the end of the vegetable cooler, and frozen goods in the freezers. Store management has indicated that they can continue supplying organic food if the demand is there. When we purchase foods we eat, we are also making choices about our health, the health of our families and the health of the environment. Show your support for a healthier world. Look for, demand and purchase certified organically grown foods.

Examples of the conditions that certified organic food producers must meet :

- Farm design and management practices must seek to create ecosystems which achieve sustainable productivity, and provide weed and pest control, through a diverse mix of mutually dependent life forms, recycling of plant and animal residues, crop selection and rotation, water management, tillage and cultivation.
- Use of highly-soluble or synthetically compounded mineral fertilizers, synthetically compounded pesticides, fungicides, antibiotics, hormones, preservatives, etc. is prohibited.
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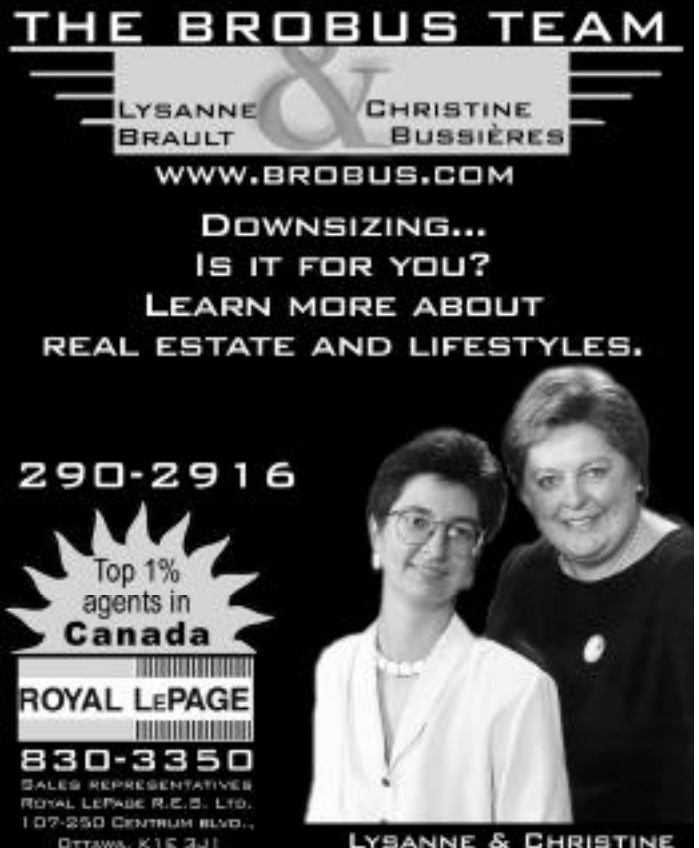
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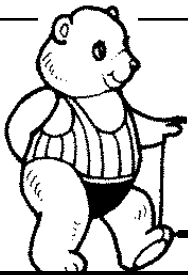
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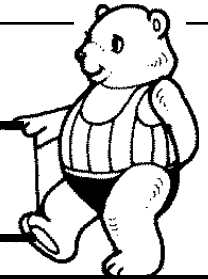
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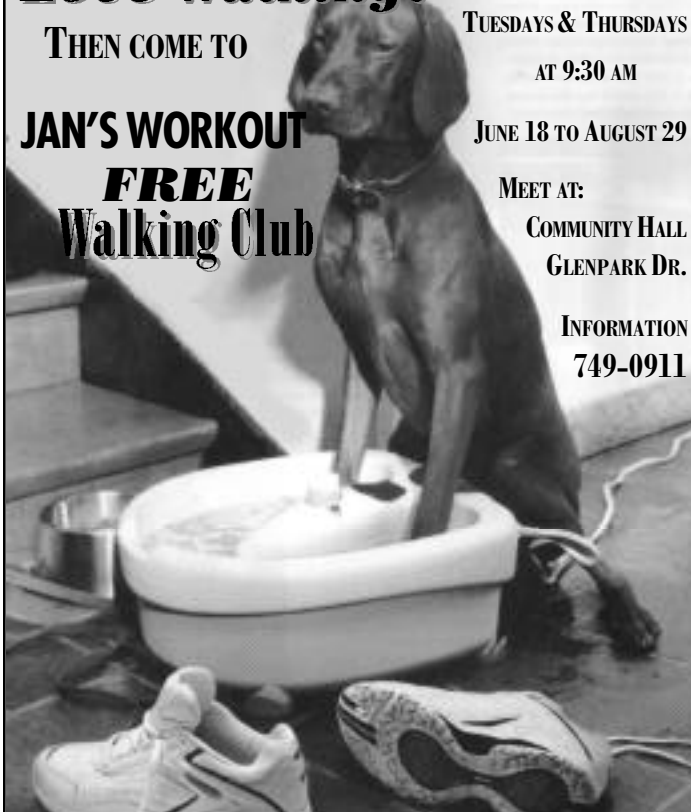
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Coming Events

BNI Visitors Day meeting

The Blackburn/Orleans chapter of Business Network International (BNI) cordially invites professionals, business owners and managers to the Visitor's Day meeting at Myranda's Restaurant, 2440 St. Joseph Blvd, Orleans on Friday, June 14th from 7:00 am. to 8:30 am. Denis Brisson, Executive Director, will be joining us to share the BNI secrets to success through "word-of-mouth" marketing.

BNI is a business and professional networking organization whose primary purpose is to exchange qualified business referrals. Find out more by visiting the BNI website at www.bnieast.com.

Come for breakfast and learn more about the chapter by calling 824-9707 to reserve your seat and remember to bring lots of business cards to pass around.

**"Get on Board" at the Blackburn
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Chips and lemonade at Amica

For the month of June (starting June 2nd) there will be a mock chip wagon set-up on the patio of Amica at Bearbrook Court, 2645 Innes Road. We will be selling homemade French fries and made-to-order burgers and sausages every Saturday and Sunday from 11am until 2pm. On June 1, instead of a BBQ, we will be hosting a free-lemonade booth to break in patio-season! Drop in on your way to the Fun Fair!

Blackburn Newcomers & Neighbours Club

The final meeting of the season will be held on Monday, June 17th at 7:30pm at Amica at Bearbrook Court.

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Smile's new musical, Peggy's Garden, celebrates the lives of Prince and Princess Abkhazi, and the beautiful garden that they have left for us to enjoy.

Seating is limited and tickets must be picked up at least seven days prior to show time. Cost is \$5.00 per ticket. Show details: June 29, 2:30pm at Amica at Bearbrook Court (2645 Innes Road)

To reserve your tickets call 837-8720; ask for Jennifer Collins.

Blackburn art exhibits

Blackburn Library welcomes budding and established artists to exhibit in this public space. There are 11 hanging spaces, with the possibility of hanging up to 13 pieces depending on size (2 smaller pieces on one chain). Please contact Marion Jones 830 8904 if you are interested in having your art work displayed at this venue.

Exhibitions at Blackburn Library:
May—Anne Alain (watercolour);
June—various artists (watercolour);
July / August —Alannah Smyth Imbeau (Celtic art);
September—Joyce Bourdeau and Janice Johnson (various mediums).

Bible adventures

A free half-day Vacation Bible School in the Hamlet is being held from Tuesday, July 2 to Friday, July 5 for children up to the age of 10. The program will include a Bible story, an animated Bible story video, songs, games, crafts and a snack each day. and is being sponsored by St. Mary's Anglican Church. For more details or to register, call Sharon Manouchehri at 834-6326 or see us at the Fun Fair

Summer camps

The City of Ottawa will be running Summer Camps in the Blackburn area. Camps will run 8 weeks beginning July 2nd and running until August 23rd.

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Sports Camp — A different sport each week such as: soccer, basketball, softball, martial arts, and tennis. As well, an outing will take place once a week and pool time will be included. The cost of this camp is \$125/week/child.

Teen Camp (NEW in Blackburn!) — Teens will enjoy outings, special guests, special events and pool time. Sure to be fun and energetic! The cost of this camp is \$135/week/child.

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